



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Michael C. Chen Confirmation No.: 7253
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated April 29, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the above-captioned application.

No fee is believed due for this submission. Should any fee(s) be required, however, please charge such fee(s) to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 501013.

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